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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF ARPA PROGRAM AT ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT RPT NOT HAVE FINAL AGENDA FOR ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING (WHICH WE UNDERSTAND HAS BEEN WORKED OUT DIRECTLY BETWEEN DEPT AND AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND EMBASSIES IN WASHINGTON), I RECALL THAT, AFTER THE 1974 ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING IN NEW ZEALAND SOME OF US FELT THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE AN ANZUS BRIEFING ON THE STATUS OF THE ARPA PROGRAMS IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND. THIS MAY HAVE BEEN LOST IN THE SHUFFLE. AS BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY IN THIS SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM, I BELIEVE THERE IS BENEFIT IN PERIODICALLY DRAWING HIGH-LEVEL ATTENTION TO IT AS UNDERLINING THE MUTUAL ADVANTAGES IN OUR RELATIONSHIP.
- 2. IT IS POSSIBLY TOO LATE TO PUT A DISCUSSION OF ARPA ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA NOW. HOWEVER, PERHAPS ONE OR TWO MEMBERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND DELEGATIONS CONFIDENTIAL

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WOULD BE INVITED TO ATTEND A SEPARATE BRIEFING ON THE

STATUS OF THE ARPA PROGRAMS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES, AT SOMI
STAGE IN THE PROCEEDINGS.
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